Our 25 Per Cent

If you had a story to tell, one that you knew was true caught fire Thursday night and the step. one you wanted believed, how would you tell it?

Use big adjectives, high-sounding phrases, or tell it

Perhaps we are too modest.

We will save you 25 per cent on every dollar's worth of

CLOTHING

sought of us.

\$5.00 Suits, 25 per cent off. \$3.75 7.50 Suits, 25 per cent off, 5.63 10.00 Suits, 25 per cent off, 7.50 15.00 Suits, 25 per cent off. 11.25

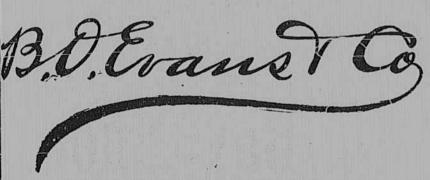
HATSI

The number of Hats we put on sale was, luckily, large; lse you late comers wouldn't have the chance you still have.

98c. for Hats that were \$1.25.

Most Stores ask \$1.50 for them.) New shapes. Colors black

Remember, we sell for Cash and Cash only. No Goods



THE SPOT CASH CLOTHIERS.

A Help to Farmers!

IT is told us daily that we have been a great help to Farmers while blown up by the Spaniards there will otton is 5c. per pound. We sell Goods for such a small profit it is money be war in spite of —." The Senator also talked freely with passengers

SHOES.

Best Shoes in the State for the least money.

We have a nice line of Spring Percales at 5c. per yard.

Nice Plaid Worsted, sold everywhere for 15c. and 20c. yard-we sell at

Remnants we now offer at 41c. yard.

MATTINGS.

We also have a nice line of India Linen. A big lot of-

EMBROIDERY AND RIBBONS

ill be on sale next week at special prices. We bought these Goods at 60c. the dollar, and will sell at about half price.

Nice Black Dre s Goods for making Skirts, &c.

We are selling Woolen Dress Goods at Cost.

Clothing going at almost half price. Will sell you a nice \$10.00 Black for 85.00, and cheaper Goods accordingly. We are busy all the time. Fall in line and come on with the crowd to-

RACKET STORE,

OORE & LUCAS.

OTTON IS CHEAP AND SO ARE

GROODRIES.

LIVE AND LET LIVE IS OUR MOTTO!

E have a choice and select Stock of-

FAMILY and FANCY GROCERIES.

isting of almost everything you may need to eat. Our Goods are fresh, bought for each, and will be sold as low as the lowest. Please give me before purchasing your Groceries.

Thanking all for past favors and soliciting a continuance of the same-

We are yours to please,

G. F. BIGBY.

THE WEEK'S POLITICS.

- President Wilborne calls for a rally of the sub-alliances of the State

STATE NEWS.

-The April term of the United Charleston on April 4.

- South Carolina has more cavalry about one-fourth of the total cavalry force of the militia of this country.

building and contents were entirely destroyed.

- The people of Lake City have had to guard their town on account of the threatened burning by colored people in revenge for the killing of this murder and arson.

- The work of laying the track of

- Whatever may be the wife's claims on her husband's worldly goods, the magistrate at Society Hill, Darlington county, does not allow the husband to handle the wife's property. been sentenced to thirty days on the chaingang for giving away without her consent, 21 bushels of corn, the property of Mrs. Abrahams.

- The house of Jack Foster, tenant on M. B. Davis's place, five miles west of Abbeville, was destroyed last Tuesday by fire. Two little children were left in the house. Men at work in the field near by saw the flames of the burning building. They ran to the rescue, and found the clothing burnt off of a five year old son of Jack Foster. The child died in a few minutes. The building and contents were a complete loss.

- The Norris Mill at Catechee has country claim that the mill is equal to Textile Excelsior. The mill makes fine sheeting, 40 inches wide, 72 ends, 80 picks. The mill was started to lbs. of 30s yarn a week in skeins. the old principle of give and take anything and it amuses him. This production is over and above the engineer's calculation. The Southern mills out run the Northern calculation.

- Senator Tillman passed through the city yesterday afternoon en route to Washington from Trenton. He seemed to be in fine health. A passenger on the train asked him about "If it is proven that the Maine was with whom he was acquainted about the political outlook, but gave no ex-pression of opinion as to the result of the coming campaign.—News and Courier, 7th.

- Clarendon has recently had an exodus of ten white persons, bound for Colorado, converts of the Mormon doctrine. They represent the families of S. R. Tobias and James Haley. A daughter of Mr. Tobias left about Will take pleasure in showing you a splendid line of Mattings at cheap a year ago with a Mormon elder to be married in a Mormon temple in Colorado. She has written such a glowing together with the influence of the Mormon elders in Clarendon, the two families have embrased the Mermon faith and left for the West. The families are well-to-do farmers .- Sumter Herald.

> - W. R. Bullock was yesterday suspended from the duties of the clerk of the court of Abbeville county by the fate of so many public officers. Governor Ellerbe. Bullock has been charged with gross irregularities in the discharge of his official duties. Nothing was known of any official misconduct until the grand jury rendered its report recently preferring the charges against the official. When the matter was placed in their hands by the court, a true bill was rendered and consequently the governor has done the proper thing in removing Bullock. His successor has not yet been appointed .- Columbia Register, duced to lead it.

- Three charming bachelors of Greenville have entered into a solemn fancy tinged with more or less fact; a compact with one another. Each one has deposited a check for \$100, and the one who is first to marry will fall heir to the whole amount. Three new is that the support of the old Reheir to the whole amount. Three hundred dollars is a nice sum to start house keeping with, and if it leaks out who the aforesaid bachelors are, their value in the matrimonial market will be considerably increased until one of them steps off with the money and the girl of his choice. It is said that all three of the gentlemen are now making desperate efforts to win the money, and their friends are aiding each of them.—Greenville Mountaineer.

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State of Ohio. City of Toledo, Lucas County, Lucas Co

Some Interesting Developments Prom-

COLUMBIA, March 5.-The most States Circuit Court will be opened in | significant move on the political chessboard during the past week has been the call for a prohibition convention, tions of the mantle falling on the than any other State in the Union and This fight will be pushed with the shoulders of the Hon. Dan Tompkins, zeal that is ever characteristic of the "Crusades," but altogether with. of the king whose scepter is a pitch-- A large warehouse at Fountain in the lines of the Democratic party, Inn, owned by J. W. Givens and across which line few white men in stored with 1,300 bales of cotton, South Carolina have the temerity to hold the promised Moses, who was re-

The strength of the prohibition party is now an unknown, factor, but there are many . en who contend that this faction is very much stronger than it is popularly supposed to be, and there is now no indication of its ing an order for some printing, which This sentiment is entertained by many ever doing so, yet it is said that he Mr. Trimmier was writing down. Dr. the postmaster. The citizens met in of the prohibitionists who have joined could readily be adopted into the po- Bivings walked up behind him and mass meeting and have denounced in the movement towards an organiza- litical orphan asylum, if there was any fired at Trimmier over his left shoultion for the purpose of putting out a chance of his making a running fight, der. Mr. Gray stated that it was so complete State ticket. As a matter but there is not, and his close to him as to jar him considerathe Pickens and Easley road is being of fact, many of the old time prohi- friends who were once among bly and cause him to think some one rapidly pushed. Contractor Oliver bitionists, especially in the rural disexpects to have it completed by Sat- tricts, where the prohibitionists have covenant, are openly threatening and saw Bivings fire two more shots. urday. It is hoped that trains will be always found their strength, have the Knight of the Pitchfork with a Bivings then said: "I will teach you running over the new road within two bedded themselves so intimately with fate such as overtook him in the the dispensary party that this Ga- Earle-Evans election if he does not of my wife." Trimmier replied: briel's trumpet will not rouse them keep his nose or his pitchfork out of from their dreams. In order to com- other people's business. Ellerbe's down. In three minutes he was dead, pensate for this loss of strength, it is strength is unknown. He was never being shot through the heart. Biv. urged by some of the leaders to form adopted by the people. There were a coalescence with the local optionists, nearly 50,000 silent voters in the elec-Samuel Abrahams, colored, has just their rival cousins, and thus draw the tion by which Ellerbe became governline sharply between dispensary and or, and nobody knows whether these anti-dispensary, and once having over- votes were a protest against ring rule thrown their common enemy and baring or an acquiescence in the general the bone of contention again between | management of the "bosses" by the them, to fight out their old quarrel on | bossed. It is these 50,000 that make new lines. It is argued that antago- the ring rather cautious of the adopnism to the State control of liquor will | tion of Ellerbe. make as strong a bond of union as It is also positively stated that in could be desired, and will lead to po- spite of his declaration, in spite of the litical affiliations that under other cir- firm faith of the political leaders, cumstances would be impossible.

than any man in the State, but he garded under ordinary circumstances the race. must be employed. In view of these the outlook for war. With character- cold water army and the contents of ments. istic energy he is said to have replied: the canteen will have a spicy stick in it that will be a new flavor and probably not a disagreeable one to the palates of the uncompromising.

Senator Mayfield has been again approached in the matter of leading these combined forces, as being the most acceptable man to both sides. He told the gentlemen who discussed the matter with him that he fully agreed with them, that prohibition in itself could not win, but he thought the combination could very likely carry the State, but as for his running, he could not at present see his way clearly to accepting the honor of the leadership, which would mean the description of her adopted home, that sacrifice of his individual business, just now growing to comfortable proportions, and for its preservation needing his exclusive attention. The man, he argues, who enters public life should be in a position to protect himself against the great danger of becoming a public pensioner, which is

Mr. Child's health is against his making an active canvass, which is necessary. As a strong second to the straight oprohibition ticket, or as the leader in the event of Mr. Childs not being able to enter the race. Hon. J. A. McCullough, of Greenville, is prominently mentioned. He is also spoken of as a second to the combination ticket if Mr. Mayfield can be in-

In regard to the other faction in the fight, there are many whispers of recounting of even all the most interesting would consume too much of your space. Briefly told, the position

wool and a yard wide, the filling began to drop out and he began to be considered as a weak imitation of Ben Tillman, and there were some hints of revamped. This support is now believed to be making towards Col. R. B. Watson; yet there are some indicawho is said to stand nearer the throne fork than any other man in the State. and it might be that in him we beferred to when it was said by so many. "the winning man has not yet been

named.' It is a significant fact that this support does not drift towards Rllerbe,

that George D. Tillman will not be a The natural leader of the prohibi- candidate. It is very improbable that tionists is Mr. Childs. It is believed he could be induced to keep house that he could recall more of the wan- | with the prohibitionists on the coalesdering sheep to the house of David cense ticket. He is even more uncomplimentary than his brother and would not prove a drawing card for as strong or stronger in his prejudices. been running only about 2 months, the local option men, and while con- In the event, then, that this allied proprietor of the well-known Trimcession is not a characteristic of the force becomes a fact and puts out a mier's book store. Both have famiadvocates of prohibition, it is urged ticket, it would detract so greatly lies. The tragedy is deplorable. the very best in the State, says the that the exigencies of the case must from George D. Tillman's strength make amends for what might be re- that he would practically be out of

as sops to Cerebus or treaties with Walt Whitman is running because spin enough yarn to run the weaving the davil. If the local optionists are it is a habit he has; nobody objects but they are now shipping about 4,000 to become allies of the prohibitionists. because he does not hurt anybody or

Interest is now being very greatly facts, there are many of the leaders felt in the subordinate offices on the who urge a joint ticket and who are State ticket, but this letter is already negotiating treaties with the local op- too long, and your interest, kind readtion men, and it is not improbable er, will doubtless be kept alive until that the convention called for on next week, when I will have some-April 14 will have a ring-streaked and thing to say about the gentlemen that striped complexion to the old time will entertain you in your idle mo-HARTWELL, M. AYER.

The Rewards Offered.

ing circular offering a reward of \$1,500 for the arrest and conviction of each person who participated in the murder of Postmaster Baker at Lake City, S. C., on the night of Feb. 21:

'The special reward of \$300 heretofore offered by the postoffice department for the arrest and conviction of renewed, and the special reward for yet to be found .- The State. the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who murdered the postmaster at that place on the same night | in San Francisco, reports that the big is hereby increased to \$1,500 for the steamship City of Peking, built by arrest and conviction of each person who participated in said murder.

"These rewards will be paid to the person or persons causing such arrests and conviction upon presentation to the department of documentary proof thereof, but no claim for the above rewards will be entertained by the department unless presented within six months from the date of conviction.'

- She was a bride of only three short months, but she had her tronbles, and naturally made a confidante of her mother. "My dear child," said the mother, "if you would have neither eyes nor ears when your husband comes home late from the club you might be happier." "Perhaps so," answered the young wife, with an air off at a considerable distance. This of weariness, "but what am I to do with my nose?"

Terrible Tragedy Shoeks Spartanburg.

SPARTANBURG, March 1. - At 2.30 o'clock this afternoon Dr. S. J. Bivthe old fable of the lion's skin being lings shot and killed T. J. Trimmier in the latter's book store on the public square. An immense crowd gathered in front of the store at once and all kinds of rumors were affoat, but no demonstration of any kind was made. Bunch, where he spent the night. He Both were men of prominence and will run over to Trenton to-day and both had many friends; in fact, the then hasten back to Washington. two were themselves bosom friends, Senator Tillman's war views are indiand as the news went from mouth to mouth it shocked and surprised every body. Just what caused the difficulty is not yet known, but it seems to have been something about Bivings wife.

> Mr. I. W. Gray, of Glendale, was standing at Mr. Trimmier's desk givhow to speak other than respectfully "What do you mean?" and sank ings then turned towards the front of dent, the matter of reorganizing the the store. Mr. Trimmier's son came in and started back towards his father and Bivings remarked: "Don't bother scheme of studies looking to that end me, for I don't want to hurt you," and shot him through the hand.

Bivings, with a pistol in each hand, walked up to Policeman McAbec on the street and surrendered. He was then locked in jail.

If there be anything else the coroner's inquest will have to develop it, The board was reorganized. Mr. for all parties refuse to talk at this Simpson was relected president and time. The inquest will be held tonight. This city has not had a more lot. Messrs. Stackhouse, Ellerbe and profound sensation since George S. Turner's day. Both men were raised others two each. in this county. Dr. Bivings has been practicing dentistry here for a number of years and Mr. Trimmier was the

friends of Dr. Bivings now say he was Trimmier's book store his hendquarsince just before the Christmas holinoon before the tragedy a physician was suffering from mental aberation. These facts, taken together with his actions in the telegraph office both bethe person or persons who burned the fore and after the shooting, cause postoffice at Lake City, S. C., on the some to doubt his sanity. If this be night of February 21, 1898, is hereby not the case a cause for the deed has man is as follows:

> - A letter from Stephen W. Roach, the late John Roach, his father, for Pacific Mail Steamship company arrived in San Francisco harbor on Feb ruary 22, with her flags flying, having on that day completed her 100th round trip between America and Asia. In that time the City of Peking has traversed 1,300,000 miles of ocean, surviving every storm and all the perils of the deep, and is today a staunch, sea-worthy ship, with every prospect of many years of prosperous enterprise before her. The City of Peking has had an interesting history, and is an excellent specimen of the product of the great shipyards at Chester, Penn., yet conducted by the family of John

- Every one who enjoys sitting by wood fire must have observed how is caused by the water in the wood which, confined in the cells, becomes heated and generates steam. It is a curious fact that intense heat and intense cold produce fractures in various substances. In the most extreme cold weather it is not uncommon, especially if the cold has come on suddenly, to find trees that are split from the ground to the top by the action of frost. Freezing expands the water in the cells of the wood, and so suddenly is this done that the trees burst as would a pitcher or mug in which water was confined. - New York LedTextile School to be Established.

Senator Tillman, looking unusually well and full of talk as usual, says the Columbia State, came down with Gov. ernor Ellerbe from Clemson College yesterday afternoon, and riding up with the Governor, he went to the residence of his kinsman, Mr. J. W. eated elsewhere. He is not talking much about South Carolina politics, but does not think much will come from the prohibition movement.

He says the Clemson Loard is very much pleased with the management of the new president. Mr. Hartzog, the administration of the new head of the college is considered businesslike and satisfactory to the board.

Senator Tillman gave the following information as to the results of the two nights and one day sessions of the board.

It was found that after paying all the running expenses of the school that a neat little surplus was on hand and the board decided to appropriate \$12,500 for the purpose of inaugurat ling a textile school to be opened in | September, if possible.

On the recommendation of the presi fitting school was discussed and the president was instructed to prepare a and to report to the board in June. Nothing has been heard from the

expert sent to inspect the sanitary ar rangements of the institution, and, of course, nothing could be done along this line. The health of the students is very good indeed.

the new trustees drew their terms by Mauldin will serve four years and the

Mr. Jamison's proposition in regard to the Calhorn letters was accepted under certain conditions and Senator Tillman was instructed to confer with him. Mr. Jamison desires to get access to the letters on behalf of the SPARTANBURG. March 3 .- The National Historical Association.

Mr. Tillman has some very interestcrazy when he committed the awful ing information regarding the "Stark deed of Tuesday afternoon. It is only Manuscript." Mr. Clemson, Mr. Calon this hypothesis that they can ac- houn's son-in-law, had employed Mr. count for his actions. T. J. Trim- Stark, a gentleman of high attainmier had been perhaps the best friend ments, to prepare a history of the life of Cainoun. While engaged in this work at Mr. Clemson's home Mr. ters for a year or more. Mrs. Bivings Starke died, leaving his work unfinstates that Mr. Trimmier had always ished and his manuscript in a system treated her in a perfectly gentlemanly of cipher or shorthand. This was submanner and she had not seen him mitted recently to a number of ste nographers in this State, but none of days. If Mr. Trimmier had ever said them could decipher it. Mr. Tillman anything derogatory about Mrs. Biv- asked permission to take the manuings to anybody it has not yet been script to Washington and to get some divulged. Such seems incredible, for of the experts there to work on it. Mrs. Bivings is above reproach and is The papers were recently submitted to WASHINGTON, March 5 .- Postmaster highly respected by all who know her. Mr. Thos. F. Shuey, official stenogra-General Gary to-day issued the follow- Bivings' health has been bad for sev- pher of the Senate, and he had little eral months and he had given up the trouble in translating it. He says practice of dentistry. Mrs. Bivings that the manuscript contains a history stated to a reporter that on the after- of Calhoun's early life, and a sketch of his ancestry. This information had stated to her that her husband will be very valuable, for none of the biographers have yet told us of Calhoun's early life. Senator Tillman has ordered the manuscript to be transcribed, and a typewritten copy made. Mr. Shuey's letter to Mr. Till-

> Hon. B. R. Tillman, F. S. Senator: DEAR SIR: As you requested. I have examined the Stark manuscript with eare. I find in it a full sketch of the ancestry and early life of John C. Calhoun, beginning with the Highland Colquhouns and Lowland Caldwells, covering the first settlement in the upper country of South Carolina, the period of the Revolutionary war, the boyhood and education of Mr. Calhoun and extending to his election to Congress in November, 1810, and his marriage in January, 1811. This matter, which I have transcribed as you directed, will embrace probably 150 pages of duodecimo long primer

> Upon reaching Mr. Calhoun's election to Congress, the writer said that he would interrupt the course of the narrative by examining the history of our constitution and tracing the evolution of our government from that of England. The rest of the manuscript comprises voluminous notes from Madison's journal of the convention, which framed the constitution; also of the French revolution, and of the English history to the time of Cromwell, and even further back, besides copious extracts from "Wirt's Life of Patrick Henry," the diary of Senator Maclay, of Pennsylvania, the wemo-ries of John Quincy Adams and many historical and philosophical quotations from various authors, but wholly in fragmentary form. If, upon further consideration, you desire to have any portions of these notes transcribed, I will be glad to render you any assistance in my power. Yours very truly.

THOS. F. SHUEY.